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Carlsbad Community volunteers • October 2008

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Area code 760 unless otherwise noted.



Fall Festival

We don't see much in the way of autumn leaves, so we have to cook up our own fall feeling. Volunteer for the Fall Festival on Saturday, November 8 from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and serve up some chili (including the really spicy jalapeno chili) or help out at the fun zone and carnival games. Contact Natalie at *naleg@ci.carlsbad. ca.us* or 602-7511.



Home Meal Delivery

Deliver hot midday meals to Carlsbad's homebound seniors. Develop a rapport with the seniors on your route. Volunteers must be able to drive their own vehicle on weekdays between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and noon. Contact Sue Irey at *sirey@ci.carlsbad.ca.us* or 434-2906.

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Mak Shatila and Kate Maker make beach preservation a priority.

n September 20, local volunteers became part of the largest volunteer event focused on the marine environment in the country. The annual California Coastal Cleanup Day was designated by the Guinness Book of World Records as "the largest garbage collection" in 1993. That annual event has grown and is now done in conjunction with the International Coastal Cleanup Day, which involves almost every state and 147 other countries.

As part of this worldwide cleanup effort, seventy-five volunteers in Carlsbad picked up trash at Tamarack Beach, directed by Carlsbad's Senior Environmental Specialist Paul Hartman. Volunteers collected a surprising 383 pounds of trash, debris and recyclables at the beach. This figure included about 64 pounds of recyclables.

This cleanup event was successful thanks to dedicated people like Kate Maker and Mak Shatila who encouraged others from their office to join in the cleanup. Local beachgoer Anh Nguyen came on his own, as he has for many years, out of concern for the natural environment. They and others involved that day wanted to bring awareness and action to a problem that affects our local beaches and the entire planet.

Restoring Natural Harmony



National Public Lands Day is an annual day of caring for shared lands. It keeps the promise of the Civilian Conservation Corps "tree army" that worked from 1933-1942 to build the infrastructure of our nation's modern outdoor recreational system and create the tenets of the modern conservation movement still in use today.

In keeping with that spirit, the City of Carlsbad sponsored a National Public Lands Day event at Lake Calavera on September 27. Carlsbad volunteers planted 250 native seedlings, removed invasive plants and installed informational kiosks. They also removed litter including discarded roofing materials and concrete slabs.

Not just a once-a-year program, maintaining Carlsbad's 27 miles of unpaved recreational trails is an ongoing endeavor that relies heavily on volunteers. Join the Citywide Trail Volunteers on the second Saturday of the month as they preserve, protect and develop Carlsbad trails. It's a great way to have fun, keep fit and learn about our environment.

There are no passengers on Spaceship Earth. We are all crew.

Marshall McLuhan

The City offers many opportunities to become active in projects with an environmental impact. Contact Sue at *sirey@ci.carlsbad.ca.us* for information on:

- Beach cleanups
- Adopt-A-Sewer Program
- Gardening at the Senior Center
- Beach Preservation Committee
- Annual Hosp Grove Tree Planting on April 25, 2009
- Trail Captain take responsibility for a specific trail

CARLSBAD NEWS FOR YOU

Carlsbad Village Street Fair

Browse through unique booths, indulge in delectable eats and enjoy family entertainment at the largest one-day street fair in the nation. Approximately 900 vendors will sell clothes, accessories, plants, home décor and much more. The international food court will feature more than 50 booths, and there is a children's entertainment area with rides and crafts. Sunday, November 2 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Carlsbad Village.

Thursday Afternoon Book Club

Join the group as they discuss *Infidel* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali. This is a narrative of a Somali woman's spectacularly eventful life that launched her, almost inadvertently, into an unparalleled journey in moral courage. November 13, 2 p.m. Please contact Kimiko at *kmori@ci.carlsbad.ca.us*.

Tuesday Evening Book Club

Share your opinion of *Ishmael* by Daniel Quinn. This novel examines mythology, its effect on ethics, and how that relates to sustainability. December 2, 7 p.m. in the Cole Library Community Room. For more information, please contact Missy at *tuesdaybookgroup@yahoo.com*.

Cinema Society of Carlsbad presents: Counterfeiters

The incredible true story of counterfeiter extraordinaire, Salomon Sorowitsch, who is forced to help the Nazis in an organized counterfeit operation. Academy Award-winner for Best Foreign Language film in 2008. In German with English subtitles. Starts at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 10, 2009. Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane.

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Leo Carrillo Ranch Tour Guide

Have an urge to educate? Try this unique volunteer opportunity at Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park. Share information about the Ranch's cultural and natural features to adult visitors or school groups. Contact Sue Irey at *sirey@ci.carlsbad.ca.us* or 434-2906.

Holiday at the Rancho



Come see Leo Carrillo Ranch turned into a wonderland filled with twinkling lights. Help with the cookie decorating, serve soup, or be a Santa's helper. Volunteer on Saturday, December 6 from 4-8:30 p.m. Contact Natalie at naleg@ci.carlsbad.ca.us or 602-7511.





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